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Dear Assistant Commissioner:

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 28, 2009, entry of the Amendments below and consideration of the following Remarks are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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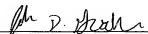
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